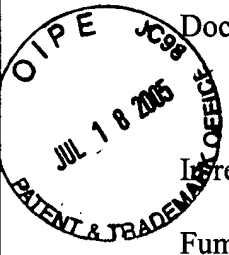


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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of	:	Customer Number: 20277
Fumitoshi YAMAMOTO, et al.	:	Confirmation Number: 2238
Application No.: 10/642,214	:	Group Art Unit: 2836
Filed: August 18, 2003	:	Examiner: Ronald W. Leja
For: SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE WITH SURGE PROTECTION CIRCUIT	:	

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Sir:

The above-identified application was filed on August 28, 2003. Since more than one and one-half year have elapsed since that date, and no action has been received by attorney for applicant, Applicant respectfully requests that the undersigned attorney be informed of the status of the referenced application. It is noted that the Official Gazette indicates applications filed on or before October 2, 2003 in the above-assigned group art unit should have received an action on the merits.

Respectfully submitted,

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